



# NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and Omaha Police Chief Alex Hayes announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

Denise R. McDaniels was sentenced to 130 months imprisonment by the Honorable Lyle E. Strom, United States District Judge, for conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine. She will also forfeit to the United States \$392.00 in U.S. Currency.

On March 26, 2009, members of the OPD Narcotics Unit and South Gang Suppression Unit were conducting surveillance in southwest Omaha, paying particular attention to a residence on South 51st Terrace. The officers had information from a cooperating individual that Denise McDaniels, whose residence it was, would likely be in possession of methamphetamine. At approximately 7:30 p.m. surveillance officers observed the suspect depart the 51st Street residence in a 1999 red Kia SUV. Officers initiated a traffic stop on the Kia for failing to signal in the area of 52nd and Orchard.

A search revealed five individually packaged baggies of methamphetamine, marijuana, and a digital scale. The lab weight of the methamphetamine was 13.5 grams with a 90% purity level. Further investigation revealed Ms. McDaniels purchased upwards of 68 ounces of "ice" methamphetamine from two main sources from early 2008 to the time of her arrest on March 26, 2009. Ms. McDaniels was a fugitive from October 7, 2009, until October 7, 2010.

**Name of Defendant:** Denise R. McDaniels

**AKA:** Denise R. Outland

**Age:** 49

**City of Residence:** Omaha

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty** (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is

**presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty):** Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine, 10 years to life imprisonment, up to \$4,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, at least 5 years of supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** Omaha

**Location of Arrest:** 52<sup>nd</sup> and Orchard, Omaha

**Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:** 2 kilograms methamphetamine

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:** N/A

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** Beginning from an unknown date but at least as early as on or about January, 2008, and continuing through on or about March 26, 2009

**Federal Arrest Date:**

**Date Complaint Issued:** N/A

**Indictment Returned Date:** 4/22/09

**Initial Appearance Date:** 6/4/09

**Plea Date(s):** 8/29/09

**Sentencing Date:** 10/19/10

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** None

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** F. A. Gossett

**Held without Bond:** Initially held without bond but later released on pretrial release

**In Continuous Custody Since:** 10/07/10

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Lyle E. Strom

**Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release:** AEB